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ALLOCATION OF CYPRUS ITEM --

TURKISH PERMREP TURKMEN SOUGHT US SUPPORT FOR ALLOCATION BY GA GENERAL COMMITTEE OF CYPRUS ITEM TO SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE AND GAVE GOV SCRANTON ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF SUCH ALLOCATION. ON OTHER HAND, GREEK PERMREP PAPOULIAS AND, SEPARATELY, CYPRIOT DEPREP JACOVIDES ASKED AMB BENNETT FOR US SUPPORT IN OPPOSING TURKISH PROPOSAL. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 3772)

PLO PARTICIPATION IN 31ST GA --

UNDER SECRETARY BUFFUM TOLD ASSISTANT SECRETARY LEWIS HE WORKED OUT AN ARRANGEMENT UNDER WHICH PLO WOULD BE SEATED IN GA HALL AT TABLE WITH OTHER OBSERVER MISSIONS (OAU, EEC, OAS, ETC.) WHERE THERE WOULD BE NAME PLAQUES BEARING SAME TITLE AS IS FOUND IN UN "BLUE BOOK". BUFFUM SAID HE WAS SURPRISED THAT PLO SEEMED PREPARED TO ACCEPT THIS IN LIEU OF SEATING AT TABLE ON GA FLOOR, WHICH THEY ENJOYED AT LAST TWO GA'S. BUFFUM THINKS UN LEGAL COUNSEL WILL SUPPORT VIEW THAT RESOLUTION 3237 SHOULD BE INTERPRETED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO EXCLUDE PLO SPEAKING IN GENERAL DEBATE, UNLESS, OF COURSE, GA VOTES ADDITIONAL INVITATION FOR THAT PURPOSE. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 3760)

LUXEMBOURG PRIME MINISTER'S SCHEDULE --

LUXEMBOURG PRIME MINISTER THORN WILL ARRIVE IN NEW YORK WEEKEND OF SEPT 17 TO TURN OVER GA PRESIDENCY TO AMB AMERASINGHE (SRI LANKA) ON OPENING DAY OF 31ST SESSION, SEPT 21, NEWLY-APPOINTED LUXEMBOURG PERMREP PETERS TOLD GOV SCRANTON. BECAUSE OF HIS BUSY SCHEDULE, THORN MAY NOT RETURN TO THE UN THIS FALL, PETERS SAID. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 3762)

US-UK PRE-GA CONSULTATIONS --

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DURING US-UK PRE-GA CONSULTATIONS, BRITISH COMMENTED THAT COLOMBO NONALIGNED CONFERENCE COULD HAVE BEEN "A LOT WORSE." UK ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY WEIR EXPRESSED HYPOTHESIS THAT THERE IS A POSSIBLE "SINISTER" LONG-TERM THREAT IN THAT SOME NON-ALIGNED SEEM TO WANT THE PRINCIPLES OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT TO REPLACE UN CHARTER PRINCIPLES. MAXEY (UK UN DEPARTMENT HEAD) EXPRESSED STRONG UK SUPPORT FOR FRG PROPOSAL DEALING WITH TAKING OF HOSTAGES, BUT FELT FRG WILL FACE DIFFICULTIES IN GAINING

ACCEPTANCE FOR A NEW RESOLUTION. HE EXPECTED THE ZIONISM/RACISM ISSUE TO BE BEFORE THE UN IN A BIG WAY, IF THE RESULTS OF THE COLOMBO CONFERENCE ARE ANY INDICATOR, AND STATED THAT THE UK IS PREPARED TO TAKE A STRONGER POSITION ON IT. HE URGED THAT THE WEST "STAND UP" FOR ITS CONCEPT OF HUMAN RIGHTS AS OPPOSED TO THAT OF THE SOVIET UNION AND ITS ALLIES. WEIR THOUGHT THE EC-9 SHOULD STAND ASIDE IN DISCUSSION OF THE PALESTINIAN RIGHTS REPORT AND LET ITS SPONSORS SHOW THEIR INTEMPERANCE. THE BRITISH DID NOT BELIEVE A SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT WOULD BE PRODUCTIVE. AMONG OTHER THINGS, BOTH SIDES AGREED THAT ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN TO PREVENT THE G-77 FROM PASSING ALONG THE COST OF ITS MEETINGS OUTSIDE THE UN TO THE UN BUDGET. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 3761)

NAMIBIA --

TANZANIAN PERMREP SALIM TOLD MISOFF AFRICANS DECIDED SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE ON NAMIBIA SHOULD "AT LEAST BEGIN" SEPT 22, BUT ADDED THAT DATE MIGHT BE CHANGED "SHOULD AFRICAN MINISTERS SO DECIDE." RAMPHUL (MAURITIUS), AS REPRESENTATIVE OF OAU CHAIRMAN, FLOATED PRIVATELY TO OTHERS IDEA THAT SEPTEMBER DISCUSSIONS BE PROCEDURAL ONLY, AND THAT NAMIBIA DEBATE BE ADJOURNED UNTIL JANUARY OR FEBRUARY, WHEN THE SC COULD MEET IN MAPUTO, LIBYANS TOLD FRENCH THAT AFRICAN SC MEMBERS AND OTHERS DECIDED TO REJECT KAPUWO'S BID TO SPEAK TO THE SC. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 3763)

COMMENTS ON UN COMMISSIONER FOR NAMIBIA MACBRIDE --

IN RESPONSE TO US SUGGESTION THAT THEY CONSIDER APPROACHES TO SYG WALDHEIM CONCERNING COMMENTS OF UN COMMISSIONER FOR NAMIBIA MACBRIDE, UK AGREED WITH APPROACH ALREADY TAKEN BY USG BUT BELIEVED FURTHER ACTIVITY WOULD ONLY DRAW MORE ATTENTION TO MACBRIDE'S COMMENTS THAN THEY DESERVED. FRENCH, ITALIAN
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AND JAPANESE MISOFFS, THOUGH WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS, ALSO BELIEVED USG ACTION WAS ADEQUATE. FRENCH COMMENTED THAT MACBRIDE'S REPLACEMENT MIGHT BE A "RADICAL" AND CAUSE EVEN MORE TROUBLE FOR THE WESTERN NATIONS. DUTCH AGREED MACBRIDE EXCEEDED HIS AUTHORITY, NOTED TIME IT WOULD TAKE TO COORDINATE EC-9 APPROACH, AND SAID THEY WOULD NOT TAKE ACTION UNLESS USG REQUESTED FURTHER CONSIDERATION. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 3767)

INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (IFAD) --

AT SEPT 15 MEETING OF CATEGORY I IFAD COUNTRIES, DR. HANNAH ASKED FOR SUGGESTIONS ON HOW TO DEAL WITH THE FUNDING PROBLEM. REPRESENTATIVES BASICALLY RESTATED KNOWN NATIONAL POSITIONS WITHOUT PUTTING FORWARD NEW IDEAS. AMONG POINTS HANNAH MADE WAS THAT THE SYG SHOULD BE GIVEN ROUGHLY TWO MORE MONTHS TO TRY

TO GET ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO MEET THE \$1 BILLION TARGET. HIS
TENTATIVE STRATEGY IS TO SEEK ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM
CATEGORY I AND III COUNTRIES AS LEVERAGE FOR SEEKING ADDITIONAL
OPEC FUNDING, AND HE POINTED FINGER AT EEC FOR NOT MATCHING
US CONTRIBUTION AS ANTICIPATED. AMB BENNETT CALLED FOR OTHER
DAC COUNTRIES TO JOIN IN MAKING BILATERAL APPROACHES TO KEY
OPEC COUNTRIES. NORWAY AND SWEDEN ARGUED FOR FLEXIBILITY ON
THE ISSUE OF DAC-OPEC PARITY; NETHERLANDS INDICATED GON MIGHT
MAKE ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION; AND CANADA AND FRG STRESSED
IMPORTANCE OF SOME INDICATION OF OPEC FLEXIBILITY IF THERE WERE
TO BE PROGRESS. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 3769)

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EXPANSION OF UNCTAD TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD --

SECRETARIAT IS TENTATIVELY PROPOSING THAT GA COMMITTEE 2
MEET SEPT 22 (OR SOON THEREAFTER) TO RATIFY UNCTAD IV DECISION
THAT MEMBERSHIP ON UNCTAD TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD SHALL
BE OPEN TO ALL UNCTAD MEMBERS. GOAL IS FOR SIMILAR GA PLENARY
ACTION TO BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO SCHEDULED OCT 5 TDB MEETING.
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LAW OF THE SEA (LOS) CONFERENCE -- GENERAL COMMITTEE

THE GENERAL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED WITHOUT OBJECTION SEPT 16 THAT THE LOS CONFERENCE HOLD ITS NEXT SESSION IN NEW YORK FROM MAY 16 TO JULY 1, 1977, WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF AN EXTENSION TO JULY 8. THE GROUP OF 77 CHAIRMAN STATED THAT HIS GROUP PLANNED TO MEE
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TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO THE NEXT SESSION. THE COMMITTEE ALSO BEGAN DISCUSSION OF ORGANIZING WORK FOR THE NEXT SESSION. MANY SPEAKERS SUPPORTED CHILE'S PROPOSAL TO BEGIN WITH A THREE-WEEK PERIOD DEVOTED TO COMMITTEE I MATTERS (SEABED REGIME AND MACHINERY), AND THEN SPEND THE FOLLOWING TWO WEEKS ON QUESTIONS BEFORE COMMITTEES 2 (GENERAL ASPECTS OF LOS) AND 3 (MARINE ENVIRONMENT, RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY). THERE WERE DIFFERING VIEWS ON CHILE'S OTHER PROPOSALS: 1) THAT DELEGATIONS HOLD INFORMAL MEETINGS PRIOR TO THE NEXT SESSION, AND 2) THAT THE NEXT SESSION CONCLUDE WITH THE PREPARATION OF A DRAFT CONVENTION WHICH WOULD BE ACTED UPON BY A FURTHER CONFERENCE SESSION IN 1978.

SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM'S PRESS CONFERENCE --

AT SEPT 16 PRESS CONFERENCE, SYG WALDHEIM STRESSED URGENCY AND IMPORTANCE OF MAKING PROGRESS ON OUTSTANDING PROBLEMS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, WHERE THE SITUATION HAD REACHED A CRUCIAL STAGE AND VIOLENCE HAD ALREADY STARTED. IF THE NEGOTIATING

PROCESS FAILED, HE THOUGHT THAT "AN ESCALATION OF VIOLENCE WOULD BE INEVITABLE." A SOLUTION COULD ONLY BE FOUND ON THE BASIS OF SELF-DETERMINATION, MAJORITY RULE, AND ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION. SWAPO HAD TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS LATER, HE SAID HE DID NOT THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR HIM TO ENTER FURTHER INTO THE SUBSTANCE OF THE QUESTION IN THE MIDDLE OF AN EFFORT BY POLITICAL LEADERS FROM DIFFERENT SIDES TO FIND A PEACEFUL SOLUTION.

WALDHEIM SAID THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS IN THE MIDDLE EAST HAD TO BE RESUMED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AND HE INTENDED TO USE THE PRESENCE AT THE 31ST GA OF MANY OF THE LEADERS CONCERNED TO CONTINUE HIS CONSULTATIONS ON THIS PROBLEM. HE WAS AWARE THAT IN THE VERY DELICATE PRESENT SITUATION, A RESUMPTION OF FORMAL NEGOTIATIONS BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR COULD NOT BE EXPECTED.
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HE MENTIONED THE "TRAGIC CONFLICT IN LEBANON," AND SAID HE COULD NOT GO BEYOND WHAT HE HAD ALREADY DONE IN VIEW OF THE CURRENT EFFORTS BY THE COMPETENT REGIONAL ORGANIZATION. TODAY HE WAS BEGINNING CONSULTATIONS WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO CYPRUS COMMUNITIES CONCERNING MEANS TO OVERCOME PRESENT DIFFICULTIES AND RESUME TALKS UNDER HIS AUSPICES.

THE SYG THOUGHT THE GA DELIBERATIONS SHOULD PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR MORE COMPREHENSIVE AND URGENT APPROACH TO DISARMAMENT, AND HE FELT THAT GA SHOULD GIVE URGENT ATTENTION TO ATTEMPT TO DEVISE MEANS TO DEAL WITH INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM. ASKED WHETHER HE WOULD ACCEPT A SECOND TERM, HE REITERATED THAT HE WOULD MAKE HIS VIEWS KNOWN WHEN THE TIME CAME.

ON ECONOMIC MATTERS, WALDHEIM STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUING CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE WHICH TOOK PLACE AT THE 7TH SPECIAL GA AND SAID THE TIME HAD COME TO TAKE PRACTICAL STEPS BASED ON THE BROAD PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTIVES ALREADY AGREED UPON. FAILURE TO MAKE SUBSTANTIVE PROGRESS RAN RISK OF NEW CONFRONTATION BETWEEN DEVELOPING AND DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. IT WAS NO LONGER A QUESTION OF WHETHER IT WAS NECESSARY TO CREATE A NEW ECONOMIC ORDER. THE ONLY QUESTION WAS HOW TO ACHIEVE IT. WHEN ASKED ABOUT PAKISTANI PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO'S PROPOSAL FOR A THIRD WORLD ECONOMIC CONFERENCE, WALDHEIM SAID HE FELT IT WAS AN IMPORTANT INITIATIVE WHICH WILL, NO DOUBT, BE CONSIDERED BY THE THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES THEMSELVES. HE COMMENTED THAT HE CONSIDERED THE THIRD WORLD SOLIDARITY MOVEMENT A MOST REMARKABLE DEVELOPMENT, AND HE WELCOMED THE FACT THAT IT HAD NEVER SOUGHT TO INSULATE ITSELF FROM THE WORLD CONTEXT OR FROM THE INSTITUTIONS OF WORLD-WIDE COOPERATION.

SPEAKING OF THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE, THE SYG SAID THAT IN A TASK OF THIS COMPLEXITY AND IMPORTANCE THE PROGRESS

ALREADY MADE SHOULD NOT BE UNDER-ESTIMATED. HE URGED GOVERNMENTS
TO MAKE MAJOR EFFORTS PRIOR TO RECONVENING OF THE CONFERENCE SO
THAT FINAL AGREEMENT MIGHT BE REACHED BEFORE UNILATERAL MOVES
AGGRAVATED THE EXISTING DIFFICULTIES.

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INDIAN OCEAN COMMITTEE--

DURING THE COMMITTEE'S DISCUSSION SEPT. 16 OF THE PROPOSAL

FOR A DRAFT RESOLUTION TO BE RECOMMENDED FOR GA ADOPTION, A PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH WAS CONSIDERED, WHICH WOULD HAVE THE GA EXPRESS "DEEP CONCERN THAT THERE HAS BEEN AN ESCALATION OF THE MILITARY PRESENCE OF THE GREAT POWERS CONCEIVED IN THE CONTEXT OF GREAT POWER RIVALRY IN THE INDIAN OCEAN" AND SAY IT BELIEVED THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE DECLARATION OF THE INDIAN OCEAN AS A ZONE OF PEACE "HAS ACQUIRED A NEW URGENCY". KEMAL (PAKISTAN) SUGGESTED ADDITION OF FURTHER PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH, WHICH WOULD HAVE THE GA SAY IT WAS "CONVINCED OF THE NEED FOR PROMOTION OF AN EFFECTIVE SYSTEM OF SECURITY WITHIN THE INDIAN OCEAN REGION BY MEANS OF A LEGAL AND POLITICAL REGIME TO BE EMBODIED IN A CODE OF CONDUCT TO GUIDE THE RELATIONS AMONG INDIAN OCEAN STATES".

IRAQ AND INDIA COMMENTED ON APARTHEID COMITE CHAIRMAN HARRIMAN'S (NIGERIA) STATEMENT ON "MILITARY AND NAVAL EXPANSION BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN REGIME, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO THE PEACE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN ZONE", RECEIVED THROUGH THE SYG. HUSSAIN (IRAQ) STRESSED SIGNIFICANCE OF STATEMENT CONCERNING "RAPID EXPANSION OF THE MILITARY ARSENAL OF THE APARTHEID REGIME OF SOUTH AFRICA, WITH THE CONNIVANCE AND COLLABORATION OF SOME WESTERN STATES AND ISRAEL". MULYE (INDIA) SAID THE FACT THAT SOUTH AFRICA'S MILITARY AND NAVAL EXPANSION HAD BEEN MADE POSSIBLE BY CERTAIN GREAT POWERS WAS A MANIFESTATION OF GREAT POWER RIVALRY IN THE INDIAN OCEAN REGION.

TRIAL OF SWAPO "LEADERS"--

UN CIRCULATED (S/12202) TEXT OF SOUTH AFRICAN LETTER OF SEPT. 15 TO THE SYG TRANSMITTING A COPY OF A REQUEST BY THE CHIEF OF OVAMBO, PASTOR NDJOBA, ADDRESSED TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT, CALLING ATTENTION TO SWAPO'S DECISION THAT 42 OVAMBO CITIZENS WHO HAD BEEN TAKEN CAPTIVE IN ZAMBIA MUST BE SHOT--APPARENTLY DECISION BY NUJOMA TO GET RID
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OF OPPONENTS IN HIS OWN RANKS. NDJOBA WROTE THAT THOSE PEOPLE WERE SWAPO MEMBERS WHO HAD BEEN ENTICED OUT OF OVAMBO UNDER FALSE PROMISES THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO STUDY ABROAD. THEIR ONLY OFFENSE WAS THAT THEY STARTED ASKING SUCH QUESTIONS AS: WHERE DID ALL THE MONEY GO WHICH LEFTIST ORGANIZATIONS AND CHURCHES DONATED TO SWAPO? WHY DID HE SPEND HIS TIME IN MOSCOW OR IN KILIMANJORO NIGHT CLUB IN LUSAKA, WHILE SWAPO TERRORISTS WERE BEING SHOT BY THE SECURITY FORCES IN OVAMBO? NDJOBA, ON BEHALF OF HIS GOVERNMENT, ASKED THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT TO REQUEST THE UN, ICRC AND ALL RESPONSIBLE COUNTRIES TO DETERMINE UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES THESE PEOPLE WERE BEING HELD AND TO ATTEMPT TO SAVE THEIR LIVES. (USUN 3765)

COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH HOST COUNTRY--

THE COMMITTEE CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GA SEPT. 16 AND WILL MEET AGAIN SEPT. 17.

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